

PORTAGE PARK & RECREATION DEPARTMENT
SERVING PEOPLE THROUGH PARKS AND PROGRAMS

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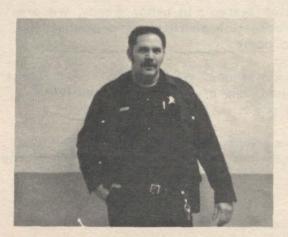
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Registration Information

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Office Hours

M-T-W-F 8:30-4:30 PM Thurs. - Sat. 8:30-12:00 PM Closed Sundays and Holidays

2100 Willowcreek Road Portage, IN 46368 (219) 762-1675

Program Information Number

763-PLAY

All registrations must be made in person.

No phone registration will be accepted

for any rental, program, trip or
otherwise when a fee is involved.

Fees for all activities must be paid at the time of registration. Checks must be payable to the Portage Park and Recreation Department.

To assume maximum benefits to all participants, class size limitations and registration policies exist for most activities.

Persons must meet the minimum age and grade requirements by the start of the activity.

Complete details of program policies, procedures and quidelines are often omitted from program brochures because of space limitations. Also, errors in days, registration deadlines and fees may occasionally occur. The office staff will advise you of corrections if they are required. We ask your understanding when these situations arise.

When and only when programs are free, will phone call or mail in registration by permitted; however, persons registering in person reveive first priority.

Early Bird Special

Discount Days - April 26 - 15% off all programs

June 13 & 14 - 10% off all programs

PROCEDURES FOR APPLYING FOR REFUNDS:

All refunds must be applied for in person, at the Park office before the start of the Program or League. A claim must be signed by the customer, which is then brought to the Park Board for approval, at their regular monthly meeting. This process of refunding payments is usual and customary for all City departments in the State of Indiana. You will receive your check, issued by the City of Portage, through the mail.

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Rentals

Woodland Park Banquet Hall - 300 capacity Meeting Rooms/Annex Building - 40-55 capacity

All fees for these facilities vary.

Please call the Park Department for more information. Catering arrangements are available from the Park through Michael DelTurco at the Savoy Supper Club.

Picnic Shelters

*Imagination Glen Park - 2 shelters (RESERVATION ONLY).
*Woodland Park - 6 shelters (RESERVATION ONLY).

FEE: Large shelterhouse \$40 + Tax(WEEKENDS AND HOLIDAYS ONLY)
Small shelterhouse \$20 + Tax(WEEKENDS AND HOLIDAYS ONLY)
*For Portage Residents Only.

Ballfield Rentals

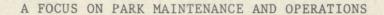
Reservations are only necessary for the two softball fields at Woodland Park.

*For Portage Residents Only.

Season Pass Information

Persons residing in Portage Township may purchase season passes for a fee of \$5 per vehicle. These passes must be affixed to your windshield. This Countryside Parks. Persons residing our of Portage Township may purchase season passes for a fee of \$10 per vehicle. Passes may be purchased at Woodland Park or at the Park gate houses. Proof of residency is required.

The official Park season extends from April 1 through March 31. During these months on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays each car must pay a parking fee of \$1 to enter Imagination Glen or Countryside Parks. All other parks are open daily, for no fee, throughout the entire year.



The Portage Park and Recreation Department strongly believes in the importance of effective and efficient park maintenance and operations practices. The Division of Park operations takes great pride in keeping the park areas and facilities in an attractive, usable and safe condition. Routine, on going maintenance tasks are taken seriously and are performed with diligence. Park improvements and refinements are continually being made, all with the focus in min of maintaining and operating a quality park and recreation system.

The maintenance staff consists of five full-time year round employees and responsible part-time building maintenance personnel. We, the maintenance staff, are responsible for maintaining 340 acres of land. There are 8 park sites in the City of Portage ranging in size from 2 house lots to 30 acres (neighborhood parks) and from 60-223 acre parcels (major complexes).

To assist us in the operations and maintenance of these parks all visitors are expected to observe the following rules which are designed to preserve the landscape in its natural condition for the use and enjoyment of the people:

- 1. No unauthorized motor vehicles allowed on park grounds.
- 2. All pets must be kept on a leash.
- 3. Hunting with firearms or bow and arrow, is prohibited on any park property.
- 4. Fires shall be built only in places provided. Visitors must put litter in the receptacles that are provided.
- 5. No swimming at Salt Creek (Imagination Glen Park) or the Lake at Countryside Park.
- 6. Motorists will observe the speed limit as posted and park in the designated area.
- 7. There shall be no vending or advertising without permission of the Park Board.
- 8. Do not injure or damage any structure, rock, tree, flower, bird or wild animal within the park.
- 9. Do not gather limbs, brush or trees (either dead or alive) for firewood.
- 10. No alcoholic beverages are allowed in the park without an approved special permit from the Park Board.

<u>Vandalism</u> is costing Portage residents hundreds or even thousands of dollars each year. In order to eliminate this needless destruction, we need your help. If you see or suspect someone committing acts of vandalism, please contact the park office at 762-1675 or the police department at 762-3122 immediately. Vandalism Costs Everyone!!!

Terry Jarosak

Director of Park Operations

ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION PROGRAMING

HOME LANDSCAPING WORKSHOP: Tues evening; May 17, 24, 31 & June 7; 6 pm-8 pm. FEE: \$15/person; SIGN UP DEADLINE: 12 noon, Sat. May 7th; 5 person min-25 max. Woodland Park Annex Building.

Create your own home landscape with a little help from this workshop. This minicourse will take you through the design process in an easy step by step manner. We'll help you take the area you have in mind and design a stunning landscape that will be just as you wanted it because you will be the one creating it, and you'll save money too! You'll be guided along the way by a graduate landscape architect. The workshop will include information on design, plant species and selection, installation, and lawn maintenance. We'll provide you with various informative handouts and basic drafting materials to help you get your design just right, and these items are yours to keep!

BIRD BRAINS: Sat, June 18th; 9:30 am-11:30 am. FEE: \$8/person; SIGN UP DEADLINE: 4:00 pm, Wed, June 15th; 5 person min-20 max. Woodland Park Annex Building.

Come learn about birds and why they are so successful. The first part of this class will be a short, informative talk; During the second part you'll build a bird feeder and bird house to attract your own feathered friends to your yard. You bring a claw hammer, and we'll provide everything else. You will also take home a book of various "birding" projects to do later (such as designs for different houses, feeders, and other fun projects). Anyone interested in birds will enjoy this class! No matter what your age, if you can handle a hammer, you'll have fun and help our fine feathered friends at the same time!

TERRIBLE LIZARDS: Wed; July 6th; 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm. FREE, Call 763-1508 to preregister. SIGN UP DEADLINE: July 5th; 5 person min-50 max. Held at Portage Public Library.

The word "Dinosaur" means terrible lizard; Were these animals so "terrible"? Why did they disappear so abruptly? Were they even reptiles (what we would call reptiles today)? Startling evidence in the last few years has challenged many of our accepted beliefs about these amazingly successful animals. If you've ever enjoyed learning about these creatures, then this show is for you (and we guarantee that some of those "firm facts" you held in your mind about dinosaurs will be shaken up)! This show is cosponsored with the Portage Public Library, and is ideal for the whole family.

FREE FERAL FOOD: Sat; July 9th; 9:00 am-12:00 noon. FREE, Call 762-1675 to preregister; SIGN UP DEADLINE: noon, July 2nd. Meet at the Woodland Park Annex Building.

"Feral" means wild, and this course will teach you how to identify some common wild plants that are edible and healthy for you. We'll meet at Woodland Park for a short session of slides. You will also receive a series of free handouts to help you remember what you've learned. Then we will caravan to the "wilds" of Imagination Glen Park for a first hand look at some of the little rascals. Since picking any sort of plant in your parks can ruin the experience for others (and is prohibited), bring along a camera if you want a color picture to supplement the drawings in the handouts.

YOU & YOUR PET: Wed; July 13th; 6:30 pm- 7:30 pm; FREE, please call 762-1675 to preregister. SIGN UP DEADLINE: 12 noon, Sat July 9th; 5 person min- 30 max. Woodland Park Meeting Room.

This talk given by Dr. Mary Ann Sheller (a DVM from the Arborview Animal Hospital) will cover basic "Do's & Don'ts" of pet ownership. Dr. Sheller will also update you on the latest in animal health care. A short, informative slide show is also scheduled.

FRIENDLY FOLIAGE: Wed evening; July 20th; 6:30 pm- 8:00 pm. FREE, please call 762-1675 to preregister SIGN UP DEADLINE; noon; Sat, July 16th. 5 person min-30 max. Woodland Park Annex Building.

If you like to have plants in your home, then this course is for you. Whether you are just starting out, an old pro, or just a plant killer from way back; You'll find something of value in this course. This course will cover the basics of plant selection and care, and we'll provide a few handouts to help you remember what you've learned.

PINHOOK BOG HIKE: Sat; August 6th; 9:30 am- 12:30 noon. FEE: \$2/person; SIGN UP DEADLINE: noon; Sat, July 30th; 5 person minimum- 15 person maximum. Meet at the Woodland Park Main Building by 9:15 am.

We will transport you to the Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore Visitor Center where we will see a short movie on bogs and how this oddity of nature is formed. Then it's off to the bog, where we'll see unusual plants like the insect-eating sundew. This is a true quaking bog, so you'll have a chance to "walk on water"! Because of the rare & delicate nature of the bog we must limit the trip to 15 people, so sign up early!

SKY SHOW: Fri evening, August 12th (cloudate Aug 13th); 11:00 pm-? FEE: \$1/person; SIGN UP DEADLINE: 4:00 pm, Wed, Aug 10th; 15 person minimum- 50 max. Imagination Glen. (No unsurpervised children please. Camping, if enough interest).

Come see stars, nebulas, planets, constellations, and the largest annually-occuring meteor shower. Look through the 9" diameter telescope we'll provide, or bring your own binoculars or "scopes". For the meteor part of this sky show you need only bring a blanket or reclining lawn chair (the best way to watch meteors is flat on your back). We're very lucky this year; The peak of the annual meteor shower falls on the 12th. This means (weather permitting) we'll have the best chance of seeing more meteors in this program than ever before. Meteors are best seen late at night (that's why the later start time), so rest up before coming out! As an additional treat, the Porter County Amateur Radio Club will have their ham radios set up, & you'll be able to hear signals bounced off of meteor trails, satallites, and the ionosphere. You might talk to Australia!

HISTORY'S HELPFUL HERBS: Wed; August 17th; 6:00 pm- 8:00 pm. FEE: \$1/person; SIGN UP DEADLINE: noon, August 13. 5 person min-30 max. Woodland Park Annex.

Throughout history plants have been used for a varity of uses: treating sickness, for food or seasoning, for the making and dyeing of clothes, for ridding ourselves of insect pests, etc. Come see how various species of plants were used then, and to what uses we put them now. This course will provide you handouts to supplement what you'll learn.

TREE WALKS: multiple sessions & times, Aug- Oct. FREE, please call 762-1675 to preregister; SIGN UP DEADLINE: 3 days prior to the session you want to attend; 5 person min- 15 person max (for each session). Odd numbered sessions are at Woodland Park (WdLnd) and even numbered sessions are at Imagination Glen Park (IG).

 Woodland
 Imagination Glen

 #1 Aug 18, 10:00-11:30am
 #2 Aug 22, 5:00-6:30pm

 #3 Sept 10, 9:30-11:00am
 #4 Sept 14, 5:30-7:00pm

 #5 Sept 19, 4:00- 5:30pm
 #6 Sept 21, 5:00-6:30pm

 #7 Oct 1, 10:00-11:30am
 #8 Oct 3, 4:00-5:30pm

 #9 Oct 5, 4:00- 5:30pm
 #10 Oct 12, 4:00-5:30pm

 #11 Oct 17, 4:00- 5:30pm

Each session is designed to provide a basic lesson in tree identification. These classes are open to everyone and would be especially ideal for a student who is required to do a leaf collection. These classes fill up quickly, especially the later sessions, so sign up early. (Note: Everyone in a session will be able to take a few leaves home; If you are collecting, the best time is in Aug & early Sept before the color change starts.)

BEGINNING BONSAI: Sat, August 20th; 10:00 am- 12:00 noon. FEE: \$20/person; SIGN UP DEADLINE: 4:00 pm Mon, August 1st; 10 person min-25 max. Woodland Park Annex.

Bonsai is the surprisingly easy art of growing potted plants so they look like miniature versions of their larger cousins. We'll teach you all the basics, and you'll get to use them right away as you plant and begin training your very own bonsai. With a little bit of growing time yours may soon look like the ones in the movie "The Karate Kid". The fee includes all the materials you'll need to take home your first bonsai.

YOUTH FISHING TOURNEY: SAT; SEPT 17th (raindate Sept 18th); 8:30am-11:30am. FEE: \$3/CHILD. SIGN UP DEADLINE: first 30 kids. Imagination Glen Park.

This youth program (for children ages 8-15 years) is cosponsored with the Northwest Indiana Steelheaders. All children will be supervised by an experienced club member/fisherman (each child must provide his or her own tackle, bait, & lures). Prizes will be awarded based on biggest gamefish (by weight). Unclaimed prizes will be drawn for & given to the children. In addition, every child will receive a packet of various useful fishing items. Last year, there were over \$150 in prizes, so hurry and register for even more prizes this year.

HUNTER SAFETY CERTIFICATION CLASS: Mon-Fri, Sept 26-30; 6:00pm- 9:00pm. FREE Please call 762-1675 to preregister; SIGN UP DEADLINE: noon, Sept 17th; 15 person min, 40 person max. Woodland Park Annex Building (must attend all five sessions).

This course is cosponsored by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources and is taught by a DNR certified instuctor. The course will cover all aspects of firearm and hunting safety. After completion of the course, the participants will receive a certificate, an identification card, and will be registered with the state. Most states require a course like this before you can receive an out-of-state license, and it will probably be required soon for anyone who wishes to hunt in Indiana (Note: it may lower your insurance).

YOUTH ATHLETICS

T-BALL

AGES: 4-8 year old boys and girls

FEE: \$10

TIME: 9:30-11:00am

Session I: July 6, 7, 8, 11 and 12/Woodland Park
 Session II: July 25, 26, 27, 28 and 29/Woodland Park

Session III August 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12/Woodland Park This is an Instructional level baseball program. Your children will be taught the fundamentals of catching, hiting and throwing.

Participants must provide their own baseball

glove.





HERSHEY'S TRACK AND FIELD

AGES: 9-10; 11-12; and 13-14 year olds (participant's age on Dec., 31, 1988).

FEE: Free

DATE: Practice Date: June 10 at Trumball Field 10:00-12:00 noon

Meet Date : June 11 at Trumball Field 3:00-5:00 pm

The Hershey Track and Field Meet is a fun activity meant to provide a positive fitness experience for our youth. Some of the events include: 50, 100, 200 and 400 meter dashes, 4 x 100 meter relay, standing long jump and softball throw.

Winners of the local meet will advance to the state meet on July 2nd in Indianapolis.

YOUTH TENNIS LESSONS

AGES: 8-11 year olds

TIME: 3:30-4:30/Woodland Park

AGES: 12-17 year olds

TIME: 4:30-6:00/Woodland Park
DATE: ALL AGE GROUPS - June 28,

30, July 5, 7, 12, 14, & 19.

FEE: \$12

MAXIMUM: 10 people per age group You will be taught the basics of tennis; forehand, backhand & serve.

SUCCER CLINIC

AGES: 5-16 year olds

FEE: \$8

TIME: 6:00-7:30pm/Woodland Park

DATE: July 25, 27 and 29 August 1, 3 and 5 This is an introduction to soccer for first time players or for those who wish

to brush up on their skills.



FALL SOCCER

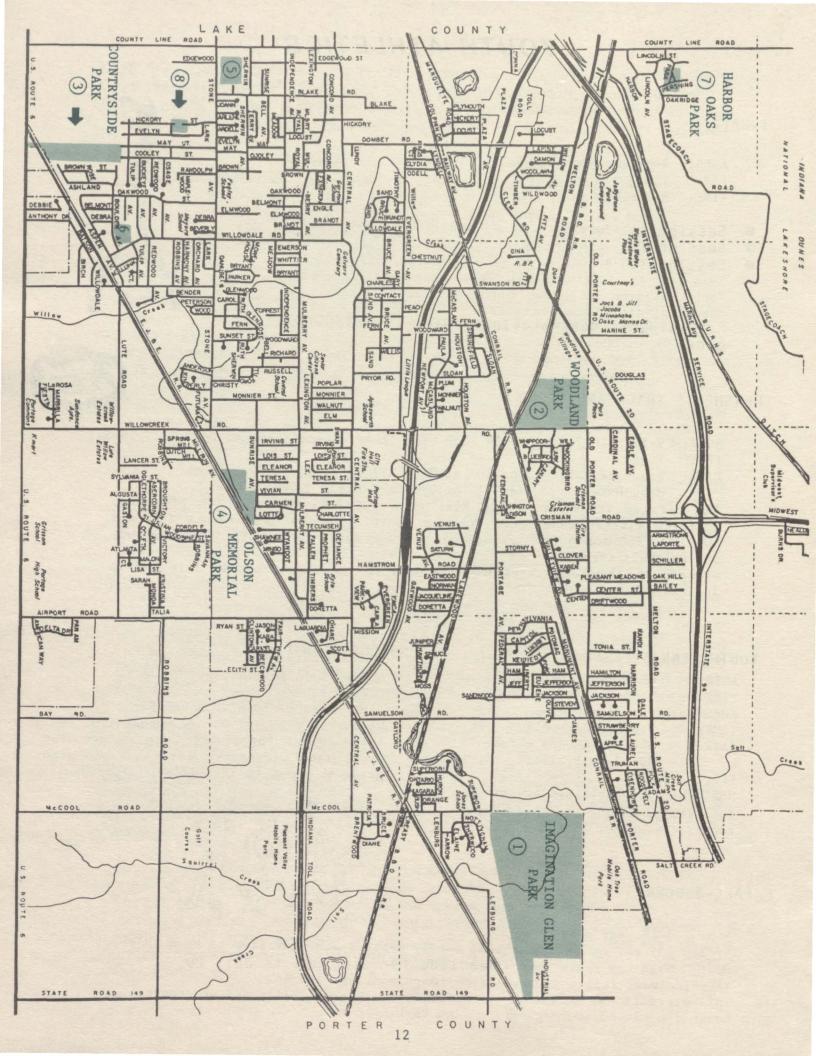
AGE: 5-16 year olds

*FEE: \$35 per child (additional family members \$25-must live at same address)

DATE: Sign ups begin June 1 Deadline for sign ups is July 29.

*Fee includes full uniform, league tournament and awards.

This recreational league is intended to teach game skills and sportsmanship. Games are played at Imagination Glen Park.



PARK AREA INFORMATION

- 1. IMAGINATION GLEN PARK
 2275 McCool Road
 223 acres
- 2. WOODLAND PARK
 2100 Willowcreek Road
 64 acres
- COUNTRYSIDE PARK
 5250 U. S. Highway 6
 33 acres
- 4. OLSON MEMORIAL PARK
 Sunrise Avenue at Carmen St.
 15 acres
- 5. WOLFE PARK
 Danube Ave. off of Blake Rd.
 10 acres
- PERRY PARK
 Tulip Ave. off of Oakwood St.
 4 acres
- 7. HARBOR OAKS PARK
 Park Avenue at Pershing St.
 1 acre

8. HICKORY PARK
Hickory St. off of Stone Ave.
1 acre

Main Features

Softball complex; soccer complex; restroom/concession building; picnic grounds w/shelters; playground area; trail system for nature hiking, jogging, and cross-country skiing; physical fitness exercise court; fishing along Salt Creek; large natural preserve area; archery range.

Community center complex w/banquet hall and meeting rooms; administrative offices; park maintenance complex; picnic grounds w/shelters; playground areas; baseball field; ice-skating rink; sledding hill; tennis courts; basketball courts; softball fields; natural area; open play space.

Historical farm homestead; 3.1-acre fishing lake; tubing hill; natural area; picnic grounds w/shelter; playground areas; softball field; open play space.

Picnic grounds w/shelter; natural area; playground area; open play space; sledding hill.

Picnic grounds w/shelters; playground area; softball field; basketball court; open play space.

Picnic grounds w/shelter; playground area; tennis courts; softball field; open play space.

Playground area; open play space (limited).

Picnic shelter; basketball court; playground area; open play space (limited).

TOTAL ACREAGE - 351

YOUTH PROGRAMS



EXPOSE' WEEK

Disount Days - June 13 and 14 - 10% off all programs.

June	13 -	*Balloon Release	11:00-2:00	pm	Free	
June	14 -	*Big Wheel Race	1:00-4:00	pm	Free	Pre register by June 3
June	15 -	*Almost Anything Goes	11:00-2:00	pm	Free	
June	17 -	*Penny Carnival				
June	18 -	*Antique Car Show	12:00-4:00	pm	Free	
		*Woodland Park				
June	17 -	*Penny Carnival *Antique Car Show		pm		



WEEKIDS CAMP

AGES: 3-5 year olds

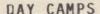
FEE: \$15

TIME: 12:00-3:00 pm

MAX: 20

Session I: June 20, 21, 22, 23/Woodland Park
Session II: July 11, 12, 13, 14/Woodland Park

Each day your pre schooler will be introduced to outdoor life, crafts and games.



AGES: 6-12 year olds

FEE: \$35 (must provide own lunch, we provide the drinks)

TIME: 9:00-3:00 pm (overnighter 4:00-8:00 am)

MAX: 25

Session I : June 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 27 and (overnighter June 28, 29)
 Theme: Wildlife

• Session II: July 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 25 and (overnighter July 26, 27) Theme: Physical Fitness

SessionIII: August 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 15 and (overnighter August 16, 17)
Crafts

Each session begins at Woodland Park. Special activities are planned which may require travel to other location. The final two days of each Day Camp ends with an overnighter.



FIVE AND ALIVE

AGES: 5 year olds *for those entering Kindergarten, fall 1988.

FEE: \$10

TIME: 12:00-3:00 pm

DATE: August 15, 16, 17, 18 and 19

This program is specifically for youngsters about to enter Kindergarten. Activities include, socializing, nature

exploration, basic work skills and games.

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CHEERLEADING CLINIC

AGES: 1st-8th graders

FEE: \$10

TIME: 12:00-3:00 pm DATE: July 6, 7, and 8

If you always wanted to learn how to lead the team... here's your chance. This mini camp will help you with rhythm, coordination and teach you a few new routines.

"CLAY" TIME

AGES: 6-9 year olds (Minimum 6 - Maximum 15)

FEE: \$6

TIME: 1:00-2:30 pm

DATE: M-W-F (August 1 - August 12)

If you already like working with clay or would like to learn how, this class will teach basic skills.

BIKER/HIKER DAY

AGES: Able to ride a bike

FEE: Free

TIME: 10:00 am - 3:00 pm (Start at Woodland Park)

DATE: June 24

The morning will begin with a bike safety session with State Trooper Sergeant Jerry Parker, followed by a 5 mile round trip bike ride to Imagination Glen Park. Bring a sack lunch and we will provide the drinks. At the Park, we'll take a nature hike and play some games, then return to Woodland Park. (Parents are Welcome).





National Youth Sports Coaches Association



COACHES CERTIFICATION

The Park and Recreation Department is offering a National Youth Sports Coaches Association (NYSCA) certification program to all volunteer youth coaches. This program was developed to enlighten coaches, parents, league administrators and game officials, of the important role that they play as leaders, and to understand the consequences that result from poorly organized programs. The basic philosophy of NYSCA, is that all children deserve a wholesome experience in youth sports.

The topics that are covered during this six hour training session are psychology, conditioning, nutrition, flexibility, strength development, first aid, organization of practice, and teaching proper techniques. At the completion of the certification program, each coach will receive \$300,000 in liability coverage, certified coach patch, membership card, certificate of completion, bi-monthly newsletter, first aid booklet, and discounts at Days Inn and Alamo Rental Car. The fee for this certification program is \$15.00.

The Park Department is very pleased with the response it has received since introducing this program to the community. Please consider NYSCA as a rewarding addition to your sports program. For further information you can call 762-1675.

ADULT ATHLETICS

SOFTBALL LEAGUE

The adult softball league is already in progress. If you would like to have a team in the league next year contact Bonie Medved in February, of 1989. Games are played at the Imagination Glen Park Softball Complex.



SOFTBALL TOURNAMENTS

Your team or organization can raise money by hosting a tournament at Imagination Glen Park. Weekend rental rates are available by calling the Portage Park Department. Tournament dates must be ok'd by the Park Department.

COED SOFTBALL LEAGUE

The league will begin in mid-August (conclusion of summer softball). Teams will play a minimum of 10 games plus a league tournament. there must be a minimum of 4 teams.



1988 TOURNAMENTS AT IMAGINATION GLEN PARK

June 25-26 - IPRA Softball Klassic FEE: \$85

DIVISIONS: B & under

*July 16-17- ASA "D" Qualifier *July 30-31- ASA "C" Semi-State

*Contact Bonie Medved



ROUND ROBIN TENNIS LEAGUE

NEW

AGES: 16 and up

FEE: \$10 per person (\$18 if playing in two divisions)
DATE: May 23 - August 29 (pre-registration required)

*Men's, *Women's and *Mixed doubles divisions. (Minimum of 8 participants). Players will be provided with a league schedule. Awards for 1st and 2nd place in each division. A tournament will be held at the conclusion of the league. (matches may be played at Woodland Park).

must pre register by May 12



HORSESHOE PITCHING LEAGUE

NEW

AGES: 21 and up

FEE: \$10

DATE: June 1 - July 29(*Pre-registration required) Matches will be scheduled for participants and awards given to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place finishers. A league tournament will be held at the conclusion of the season. (Pits at Woodland Park may be used).

must pre register by May 20



TENNIS LESSONS

AGE: 18 & up FEE: \$12

TIME: 6:00-7:30pm/Woodland Park DATE: June 28, 30, July 5, 7, 12,

14 and 19.

You will be taught the basics of tennis; forehand, backhand & serve.



FEE: \$10 per player DATE: November 5 TIME: 10:00am-4:00pm

This will be held at Portage H.S. West. Various skill levels of the proper techniques of volleyball will be taught. We will provide lunch.

OPEN GYM VOLLEYBALL

FEE: \$1 per person /per session
DATE: Septmeber 29 - November 10th
TIME: 7:00-10:30pm (thursday)
This will be held at Portage H.S.
West. Open to both men and women.



NEW

FEE: \$1 per person/per session
DATE: September 27 - November 8th
TIME: 7:00-10:30pm (tuesdays)
This will be held at Portage H.S.
West. Open to women playing in
the Portage League only.



SUGGESTION BOX

If you have ideas for programs you would like to see offered, please list them on the form below. One of the members of our staff will get in touch with you as soon as possible. Thanks for your help!

If you're registering for a program, you may hand it in at that time, or mail it to our department:

Portage Park Department 2100 Willowcreek Road Portage, IN 46368

I would like to see the following programs offered:

NEW is planning for a program soundly based on the biological principles of fish management. It is important that any program be self supporting in terms of balancing fish harvest vs natural reproduction. If this small pond is "fished-out" (reproduction unable to keep up with harvest), any restocking will mean a 2-3 year wait for good fishing. Also, because of a budget reduction, the department will not be able to staff the program for as many hours as they would like. Taking all these considerations together, and bearing in mind that this is the first year for this experimental program (in such a program everything is subject to change, especially after the first season is given a long hard look); the park department's proposed program is...

Program Length: May 29 to Sept 3; Pond open 16 hours/week in four, 4-hour shifts.

Sat, 6:00 am - 10:00 am Sat, 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm Sun, 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm Wed, 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Fee, \$1/person/shift (1 pole/person); Max Limit, 50 people fishing/four hour shift. All state regulations apply as minimum standards, 14" min-size for bass. No live or dead fish to be used as bait and/or released into the pond.

SPECIAL EVENTS, TRIPS & AMUSEMENT PARK TICKETS

ALL AMERICAN PICNIC

Cosponsored with the Portage Historical Society.

DATE: July 2nd (rain date, July 3rd)

TIME: 10:00-6:00pm AT COUNTRYSIDE PARK (on Rt. #6)

This 1920's theme picnic is for people of all generations. All activities and parking will be free of charge. Concession will be sold. Come join in on these fun activities:

- Historical Display
- Antique Car Show
- Childrens Games 11:00-1:00pm
- Story Telling (Guild of Lake County)
- Woodcarving
- Quilt Tieing
- Squaredancing
- Pottery
- Horseshoes
- Croquet

FOOD--POP--POPCORN
(No Alcoholic Beverages Allowed)

PORTAGE LAKE A'FAIRE

Conducted by the Greater Portage Chamber of Commerce.

DATES: July 15, 16 and 17/Woodland Park

The 1988 Lake A'Faire promises to be better than the last two years according to chairman Jeff Scheub. The Lake A'Faire will be open on Friday July 15th at 6:00 pm. At that time the beer garden, entertainment and concession area will be open. Times for Saturday July 16 and Sunday July 17 will be 2:00 pm until midnight. Entertainment for the Lake A'Faire will be as follows:

FRIDAY----THE RIVIERA'S
(8:00 pm with four hours of entertainment)

SATURDAY----THE DIAMONDS, THE DRIFTERS, DICK BIONDI, AND THE BACK UP GROUP RONNIE AND THE ROCKETTS
(8:00 pm and 10:00 pm shows)

SUNDAY----SHUDDUP & DRIVE (6:00-8:00 pm and 9:00-11:00 pm)

There will be programs for the family such as remote control car races three legged races and much more. Contact the Chamber office for more information at 762-3300.

ART FAIR

DATE: June 25-26/Woodland Park
Sponsored by the Portage Junior Women's Club and the Park Department.
Over 70 arts and homemade crafts!

RUMMAGE SALE

DATE: May 14

TIME: 10:00-5:00pm

50 spaces available on a first come first basis. \$10 per 20'x20' spot. It will be held at Woodland Park. You must provide your own table.

CUBS GAMES

June 19th (A GREAT FATHERS DAY PRESENT FOR DAD!)

1:20 start vs Montreal FEE: \$16

August 7th: 1:20 start vs Phillies FEE: \$16

You will travel on an air conditioned Cardinal Bus.



AMUSEMENT PARK TICKETS

Kings Island: Adult-\$14, Youth-\$8.75 The Beach: (water park) \$9.50 Great America: \$13.85 Sea World: Adult-\$14, Youth-\$11 Opryland: \$17 Cedar Point: Adult-\$14.50, Youth \$9.50

COSPONSORED PROGRAMS

The Portage Park and Recreation Department has established working relationships with several groups within the Portage community. These relationships allow us to cosponsor programs with these groups and thereby offer quality programs to the community that the department would find difficult (due to time or budgetary concerns) to provide on its own.

NORTHWEST INDIANA ARCHERS: Monthly meetings; First Wed of each month, 7:00pm Hobart Public Library; President, Mike Smith (219) 947-2724.

This group maintains the archery range on the eastern side of Imagination Glen Park. On this range they cosponsor two summer leagues with the park department: A summer league from mid-May to mid-July, and a bowhunter's league from the first of August to the middle of September (contact the president for further details). Also, they will be holding two special tourneys that are open to anyone. One near the end of June and one near the end of September (call the president). In addition to the archery club and the park department, these tourneys are also sponsored by several outdoor equipment manufacturers who have donated items. These items will be used as doorprizes and as awards. Hurry and sign up!!!

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NORTHWEST INDIANA STEELHEADERS

Monthly Meetings, first Thursday of each month; 7:30pm; Woodland Park Annex Building. (2100 Willowcreek Rd. IN); President, Mike Ryan, (219)926-7938. This group helps the park department with various programs such as our annual stream cleanup and our youth fishing tournament. They also have many programs, contests and tournaments on their own. For more information contact the president or drop in on a meeting.

PORTAGE COMMUNITY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Are you interested in your community history? Did you know that the City of Portage has a Community Historical Society? The Portage Community Historical Society was organized in 1987 by a small group of people interested in our local history. Since 1987 the Historical Society has increased it s membership. We currently have 86 members that have joined us and show an interest in what we are all about. Our crganization is dedicated towards the preservation of our past and present history of our community. The Historical Society, with the help of our cosponsor the Portage Park and Recreation Department, have a goal to open and operate a Community Historical Museum located at Countryside Park.

Meetings are held on every second Tuesday of the month at 7:30 P.M at Woodland Parks Main building. If you are interested in joining our Historical Society or attending our meetings, we welcome you. For more information, please call Jaclyn Macedo, President, at 762-7939.

PORTAGE SOFTBALL COUNCIL

The Portage Softball Council was created by the Portage Parks and Recreation Board in 1983. Since that time these two groups have successfully worked together to provide a quality softball program for the residents of Portage. This year the council has undergone a reorganization and has become a separate incorporated organization. There will continue to be a cooperative working relationship between the Park Department and the Softball Council, with the overall goal in mind of continuing to provide a quality softball program.

WOODLAND PARK PROMENADERS

The Woodland Park Promenaders, one of the better known square dance clubs in this area, was founded in 1974. The club meets the first and third Sunday of every month. They also offer lessons to those individuals interested in square dancing. For more information about the club contact the President of the organization, Mrs. Donna Ewen.

PORTAGE TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY COUNCIL

The Portage Park and Recreation Department is pleased and proud to be a member of the Portage Township Community Council, which is an organization that promotes interaction, fellowship, and exchange of information among health, education, and social service agencies serving Portage Township. Any such agency is encouraged to become a member of this important community group. Call the Park Department at 762-1675 for more information.

